



Tau Tau, Ancestor Figure

Date

c. 1910

Medium

Jackfruit wood, paint, shell or bone

Description

The statue has a narrow torso, wide hips and a tall head. The face has a pleasant expression and the eyes stare out towards the viewer. The crown is painted black (hair). It also has outstretched arms of very large size extending out from the elbow. The white painting can be seen on the hands and on the ankles/calves; wood; hand carved and painted. The head detaches from the body.

Dimensions

48 x 9 x 20 in. (121.92 x 22.86 x 50.8 cm)